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#### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Russell T. Hill	, swear (or affirm) that, to the	e best of
my knowledge and belief the a Halbert, Hargrove & Co.	mpanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm o	of , as
of January 31	, 20 10, are true and correct. I further swear (or aff	
neither the company nor any classified solely as that of a cu	er, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any a	
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\*\*For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors Halbert, Hargrove & Co.:

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Halbert, Hargrove & Co. (the Company) as of January 31, 2010 and 2009, and the related statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, changes in subordinated borrowings, and cash flows for the years then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Halbert, Hargrove & Co. as of January 31, 2010 and 2009, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The information contained in Schedules I and II is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Windes & McClaughy
Long Beach, California

March 26, 2010

# STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

# **ASSETS**

	January 31,		
	2010	2009	
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 71,782	\$ 96,113	
Miscellaneous receivables	13,984	14,759	
Prepaid expenses	5,006	18,684	
Investment	690,896	447,574	
Deferred income taxes	20,826	9,502	
Other assets	2,945	2,945	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 805,439	\$ 589,577	
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOL	DERS' EQUITY		
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 796	\$ 276	
Accrued expenses	3,421	3,690	
Deferred income taxes	177,397	73,992	
	181,614	77,958	
COMMITMENTS (Note 3)			
Subordinated borrowings	25,042	25,042	
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Common stock, \$1 par value, 30,000 shares			
authorized	18,675	18,675	
Additional paid-in capital	75,923	75,923	
Retained earnings	504,185	391,979	
_	598,783	486,577	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 805,439	\$ 589,577	

#### STATEMENTS OF INCOME

	For the Year Ended January 31,		
	2010	2009	
REVENUE  Commissions – sale of investment company shares  Commissions – sale of variable annuities  Unrealized gain on investment  Other revenue	\$ 89,867 51,843 243,322 16,905 401,937	\$ 143,837 47,810 36,897 228,544	
Sales and administrative employees' expenses Communications Occupancy costs Interest expense Regulatory fees and expenses Compliance Other expenses	149,284 1,288 5,400 2,254 5,571 14,880 18,173 196,850	164,858 283 6,000 2,254 6,323 15,345 32,899 227,962	
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	205,087	582	
PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES	92,881	757	
NET INCOME (LOSS)	<u>\$ 112,206</u>	( <u>\$ 175</u> )	

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY FOR THE YEARS ENDED JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

	Shares Issued and Outstanding	<b>C</b>	Common Stock	P	lditional Paid-In Capital	-	Retained Earnings		Total
BALANCE FEBRUARY 1, 2008	18,675	\$	18,675	\$	75,923	\$	392,154	\$	486,752
NET LOSS		**************************************				(_	<u>175</u> )	(	<u>175</u> )
BALANCE AT JANUARY 31, 2009	18,675		18,675		75,923		391,979		486,577
NET INCOME				war.			112,206		112,206
BALANCE AT JANUARY 31, 2010	<u> 18,675</u>	\$	18,675	<u>\$</u>	75,923	\$	504,185	\$	598,783

# STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SUBORDINATED BORROWINGS

	For the Year Ended January 31,			
	2010			2009
SUBORDINATED BORROWINGS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$	25,042	\$	25,042
SUBORDINATED BORROWINGS AT END OF YEAR	\$	25,042	\$	25,042

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	For the Year Ended January 31,			
		2010		2009
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Net income (loss)  Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to	\$	112,206	(\$	175)
net cash from operating activities: Deferred income taxes Unrealized gain on investment (Increase) decrease in:	(	92,081 243,322)	(	1,307)
Miscellaneous receivables Prepaid expenses Other assets		775 13,678	(	10,065 12,777) 1,240
Increase (decrease) in: Accounts payable Accrued expenses Income taxes payable Net Cash Used In Operating Activities	(	520 269) 24,331)	(	185 2,516) 9,380) 14,665)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchase of investment Net Cash Used In Investing Activities			(	25,616) 25,616)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(	24,331)	(	40,281)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		96,113		136,394
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$	71,782	<u>\$</u>	96,113
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW INFORMAT Cash paid for: Income taxes	ION	None	\$	13,400
Interest	\$	2,254	\$	2,254

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

#### NOTE 1 - Nature of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Nature of Business

Halbert, Hargrove & Co. (the "Company") is incorporated under the laws of the state of California. The Company is a registered broker-dealer under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. The Company limits its business to the distribution of mutual funds and/or variable life insurance or annuities to its customers, who are primarily middle- to high-income individuals and, accordingly, is exempt from Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

#### Basis of Presentation of Financial Statements

In June 2009, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) established the Accounting Standards Codification (Codification) as the source of authoritative accounting principles recognized by the FASB to be applied by nongovernmental entities in the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Existing GAAP is not intended to be changed as a result of the Codification and, accordingly, the change did not impact the Company's financial statements. The Codification does change the way the guidance is organized and presented.

#### Use of Estimates and Assumptions

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. The accounting estimates that require the most significant, difficult and subjective judgments include those made for the valuation of the investment and the recognition and measurement of current and deferred income tax assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The current economic environment has increased the degree of uncertainty inherent in those estimates and assumptions.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

# **NOTE 1 – Nature of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies** (Continued)

## Cash and Cash Equivalents - Concentration of Credit Risk

Cash and cash equivalents are composed of cash on deposit and money market fund shares.

The Company maintains cash in bank deposit accounts that, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. Given the current economic environment and risks in the financial industry, there is risk that these deposits may not be readily available or may not be covered by insurance.

#### Fair Value Measurements

On February 1, 2008, the Company adopted the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820, Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, (ASC 820) for fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities and for fair value measurements of nonfinancial items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis. ASC 820 defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. ASC 820 also establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. (See Note 2.)

On February 1, 2009, the Company adopted the provisions of ASC 820 to fair value measurements of nonfinancial assets and nonfinancial liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a nonrecurring basis.

#### Provision for Income Taxes and Deferred Income Taxes

Income taxes are provided for the effects of transactions reported in the financial statements and consist of taxes currently due plus deferred taxes related primarily to differences between the basis of certain assets and liabilities for financial and income tax reporting. The deferred tax assets and liabilities represent the future tax return consequences of those differences, which will either be taxable or deductible when the assets and liabilities are recovered or settled.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

# **NOTE 1 – Nature of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies** (Continued)

#### Provision for Income Taxes and Deferred Income Taxes (Continued)

Deferred income taxes are provided for temporary differences relating to certain items of revenue and expense, which are recognized in different periods for tax and accounting purposes. Deferred income taxes relate to the current year's California franchise tax, differences in timing of deductibility of deferred compensation, vacation expense, and taxability of unrealized gains and income from investments. The significant component of the Company's deferred tax liability for the years ended January 31, 2010 and 2009 is approximately \$165,000 and \$64,000, respectively, in connection to the unrealized gain on investment.

The FASB guidance contained in ASC 740, *Income Taxes*, addresses the accounting for uncertainty in income taxes recognized in an enterprise's financial statements and prescribes a threshold of "more likely than not" for recognition and derecognition of tax positions taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The company adopted the guidance in ASC 740 regarding uncertainty in income taxes February 1, 2009 and is now required to recognize the effect of income tax positions only if those positions are more likely than not of being sustained. Recognized income tax positions are measured at the largest amount that is greater than 50% likely of being recognized. Additionally, previously recognized tax positions that no longer meet the more-likely-than-not threshold should be derecognized in the first financial reporting period in which that threshold is no longer met. Changes in recognition or measurement will be reflected in the period in which the change in judgment occurs.

The Company's income tax filings are subject to audit by various taxing authorities. The Company's open audit periods are 2006-2009 for federal tax filings and 2005-2009 for California tax filings. In evaluating the Company's tax provisions and accruals, future taxable income, and the reversal of temporary differences, interpretations, and tax planning strategies are considered. The Company had no material adjustments to its liabilities for unrecognized income taxes under the guidelines of ASC 740 for uncertainty in income taxes and believes its estimates are appropriate based on current facts and circumstances.

## Commission Revenue and Expense Recognition

The Company records commission revenues and expenses on a settlement date basis, generally after security transactions have been executed and the Company has received confirmation from its clearing broker.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

# NOTE 1 – Nature of Business and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Subsequent Events

The Company has evaluated subsequent events from the balance sheet date through March 26, 2010, the date at which the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined there are no other items to disclose.

#### **NOTE 2 – Investment**

At January 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively, the Company owns a 4.54% and 4.81% ownership interest in Special Class 3 Capital Units in an affiliated company sharing a common controlling ownership (the affiliate). This investment is not readily marketable. Prior to February 1, 2009, management has estimated the fair value utilizing a methodology that includes multiples based on pretax income, projected pretax income, total revenues, and assets under management. As of February 1, 2009, management has established a new methodology that uses a multiple of assets under management.

The Company adopted ASC 820 on February 1, 2008 for fair value measurements of financial assets and financial liabilities and for fair value measurements of nonfinancial items that are recognized or disclosed at fair value in the financial statements on a recurring basis. ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs that reflect a reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair measurement in its entirety falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

# **NOTE 2 – Investment (Continued)**

The following table presents assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at January 31, 2010:

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The following table presents assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at January 31, 2009:

		Fair Value Meas	urements at Repoi	ting Date Using
		Quoted		
		Prices in		
		Active	Significant	
		Markets for	Other	Significant
		<b>Identical</b>	Observable	Unobservable
	January 31,	Assets	Inputs	Inputs
	2009	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)
Assets:				
Investment	\$ 447,574			\$ 447,574
Total	<u>\$ 447,574</u>	None	<u>None</u>	<u>\$ 447,574</u>

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

#### **NOTE 2 – Investment (Continued)**

The following table presents the Company's activity for assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) as defined in ASC 820:

	Inv	<u>vestment</u>
Balance at February 1, 2008	\$	421,958
Purchases		25,616
Balance at January 31, 2009		447,574
Total gains or losses, realized or unrealized		243,322
Balance at January 31, 2010	<u>\$</u>	690,896

The financial statements as of and for the year ended January 31, 2010 do not include any nonrecurring fair value measurements relating to assets or liabilities for which the Company has adopted the provisions of ASC 820.

#### **NOTE 3 – Commitments**

#### **Operating Leases**

The Company conducts its operations in leased office space under a noncancelable operating lease, which expires in June 2015, with two renewal options for a total of ten additional years. The Company has a sublease agreement with the affiliate, which covers approximately 99% of the lease obligation.

The lease requires the Company to pay insurance and an annually assessed common area maintenance charge in the amount of the assessment in excess of a fully occupied equivalent base period amount. Total rent expense for the years ended January 31, 2010 and 2009 was approximately \$5,000 and \$6,000, respectively, which is net of sublease reimbursements of approximately \$413,000 and \$471,000 for the years ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

# **NOTE 3 – Commitments (Continued)**

# Operating Leases (Continued)

Future minimum lease payments on noncancelable operating leases of one year or more are as follows:

Year Ending January 31,	
2011	\$ 296,244
2012	415,895
2013	449,058
2014	464,696
2015	480,844
Thereafter	206,721
Total	<u>\$ 2,313,458</u>

Future minimum sublease payments to be received on noncancelable sublease agreements are as follows:

Year Ending January 31,		
2011	\$ 291,294	1
2012	410,495	5
2013	443,658	3
2014	459,296	5
2015	475,444	1
Thereafter	204,471	1
Total	\$ 2,284,658	3

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

#### **NOTE 4 - Related-Party Transactions**

#### Subordinated Borrowings

The Company is obligated on a 9% note payable in the amount of \$25,042 to a relative of the majority stockholder. The note was made September 3, 1991 and is due December 31, 2012. The note is subordinated to claims of general creditors. The subordinated borrowing is available in computing net capital under the SEC's uniform net capital rule. To the extent that such borrowing is required for the Company's continued compliance with minimum net capital requirements, it may not be repaid.

#### Reimbursed Expenses

The Company reimburses the affiliate for salaries and other expenses. These costs totaled approximately \$9,400 and \$12,200 for the years ended January 31, 2010 and 2009, respectively.

#### **NOTE 5 – Provision for Income Taxes**

The provision for income taxes consists of the following:

	For the Year Ended January 31,	
	2010	2009
Current: Federal State	\$ 800 800	$ \begin{array}{r}                                     $
Deferred income taxes	92,081	(1,307)
	<u>\$ 92,881</u>	<u>\$ 757</u>

The Company is subject to California minimum tax of \$800, regardless of the net income.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JANUARY 31, 2010 AND 2009

### **NOTE 6 - Net Capital Requirements**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission Uniform Net Capital Rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital. The Company has elected to use the alternative method, permitted by the rule, which requires that the Company maintain minimum net capital, as defined, equal to the greater of \$5,000 or 6.67% of aggregate indebtedness, and the percentage of debt to debt-equity shall not exceed 70%. At January 31, 2010, the Company had net capital of \$67,377, which was \$62,377 in excess of its required net capital, and the Company's net capital ratio was .06 to 1.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### **SCHEDULE I**

# COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL PURSUANT TO UNIFORM NET CAPITAL RULE 15c3-1 AND RECONCILIATION WITH COMPUTATION INCLUDED IN THE COMPANY'S CORRESPONDING UNAUDITED FORM X-17A-5 PART IIA FILING JANUARY 31, 2010

NET CAPITAL Stockholders' equity per the Company's unaudited X-17A-5 Part IIA filing Net audit adjustments Stockholders' equity	\$ 448,310 150,473 598,783
ADD: Liabilities subordinated to claims of general creditors allowable in computation of net capital Other allowable credits – deferred income taxes payable Total capital and allowable subordinated borrowings	25,042 177,397 801,222
Nonallowable assets: Receivables from noncustomers Investments not readily marketable Prepaid expenses and deferred income taxes Other assets	13,984 690,896 25,832 2,945 733,657
NET CAPITAL BEFORE HAIRCUT ON SECURITIES POSITION	67,565
HAIRCUT ON SECURITIES POSITION, mutual funds	188
NET CAPITAL	67,377
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS – THE GREATER OF \$5,000 OR 6.67% OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS OF \$4,217	5,000
Excess net capital	\$ 62,377
Excess net capital at 1000%	<u>\$ 66,955</u>
AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS INCLUDED IN STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION	\$ 4,217
RATIO: AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS TO NET CAPITAL	0.06
PERCENT OF DEBT TO DEBT-EQUITY TOTAL	3.9%

Note: A reconciliation of the above computation to the Company's corresponding unaudited form X-17A-5, Part II, is not required, as no material differences exist.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# SCHEDULE II JANUARY 31, 2010

1. Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3:

Not applicable because the Company has complied with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3 Section (k)(1) as of January 31, 2010. The Company limits business to the distribution of mutual funds and/or variable life insurance or annuities. The Company does not hold customer funds or safekeep customer securities.

2. Information Relating to Possession or Control Requirements under Rule 15c3-3:

Not applicable because the Company has complied with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3 Section (k)(1) as of January 31, 2010. The Company limits business to the distribution of mutual funds and/or variable life insurance or annuities. The Company does not hold customer funds or safekeep customer securities.



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5 (g)(1) FOR A BROKER-DEALER CLAIMING AN EXEMPTION FROM SEC RULE 15c3-3

To the Board of Directors Halbert, Hargrove & Co.:

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Halbert, Hargrove & Co. (the Company), as of and for the year ended January 31, 2010, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Company's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company, including consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. This study included tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons and recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13
- 2. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control and the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Company's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control and control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were adequate at January 31, 2010, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, the SEC, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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March 26, 2010